आशा है कि यह सदस्य (न्यायिक) की रिक्ति को भरे जाने पर बहाल हो जाएगी । दावों के आवेदन-पत्रों का निपटान अधिनियम में निर्धारित प्रक्रिया को अपना करके ही किया जा सकता है ।

(च) रेल दावा अधिकारी/भोपाल में सदस्य न्यायिक के पद की रिक्ति को भरने के लिए प्रवर्ग प्रक्रियाएं पहले ही पूरी की जा चुकी है और सक्षम प्राधिकारी के अनुमोदन के बाद तत्काल ही इस पद पर नियुक्ति कर दी जाएगी जिसके बाद बकाया मामलों की सुनवाई की जाएगी और उनको प्राथमिकता के आधार पर निपटाया जाएगा ।

**Expert Committee report on fare and freight structure**

1200. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a tact that the Expert Committee of the Railways has recently submitted its report on fare and freight structure;

(b) if so, what are the recommendations of the Expert Committee, and

(c) whether Government have accepted its report, if so, by when the Railways propose to implement the said recommendations ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.C. LENKA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Committee have made recommendations on freight and fare structure, classification of commodities, concessions for travel etc. The report was submitted only recently and recommendations made require examination in depth.

**Cost of gauge conversion between Madras to trichy and Trichy to Dindignl**

1201. SHRI S.K.T. RAMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) what is the total project cost of gauge conversion from Madras to Trichy and Trichy to Dindigut ;

(b) what are the year-wise amounts spent, from inception till date on this work;

(c) by when the projects are expected to be completed:

(d) what are the reasons for the progress at a snail's Pace in the construcion of M.R.T in Madras city;

(e) by when the project is expected to be completed: and

(f) what is the cost of this project and how much amount has been spent upto the 31st December. 1993?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.C. LENKA) :

| | Rs. crores |
|---|---|
| (a) (i) Madras Beach-Trichy . | 200 |
| (ii) Dindigul-Trichy . | 56 |

| (b) | 1992-93 | 1993-94 |
|---|---|---|
| (i) Madras Beach-Trichy | Rs. 32 crores | Rs. 39 crores |
| (ii) Dindigul-Trichy | -- | Rs. 1. crores |

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|---|---|
| (c) (i) Madras Beach-Tambaram . . | 1993-94 |
| (ii) Villupuram-Tambaram | 1998-99 |
| (iii) Villupuram-Trichy . . | 1997-98 |
| (iv) Dindigul-Trichy | 1996-97 |

(d) Physical progress achieved upto January, 1994 is 63 %.

(e) 1995, subject to availability of funds and the remaining land being made available by the State Government of Tamil Nadu.

(0 Anticipated cost of the Project is Rs. 187.01 crores. Expenditure incurred upto December, 1993 is Rs. 103.22 crores.